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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a real estate agent working in a rural area with many neighborhoods poorly served by Comcast, our local cable provider, and AT&T, the incumbent land line and wireless vendor. Many of my clients who can't get effective service from those giant companies use Sonic.net, a local ISP which provides exceptional service and very fast broadband. This is a case where cost and service are both better for consumers when they have a choice that goes beyond two major vendors.

I am currently using Comcast due to an HOA locking residents into a long term arrangement, but when our agreement expires I will move my internet and phone service to Sonic immediately. There is no reason I should pay higher rates for lower quality service. If your regulations end up eliminating a strong, local competitor to the major incumbents, it will be a severe loss for our community.

Competition is the life force behind the wonderful market based decisions we all make on a regular basis. Please maintain a full range of competition in the broadband and telephone marketplace.

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